

Unnamed Silt Loam 77-Ida-0529

Classification -- medial over loamy, mixed Andeptic Paleboralf, fragipan phase.

General Site Characteristics

Location -- Benewah County, Idaho, northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 23, T. 43 N., R. 3 W., 0.6 miles south on Highway 95A from Palouse Divide Road, upslope 150 yards, 100 yards up from roadcut; described -- October 27, 1977, by M. A. Fosberg, N. Parrott, A. Falen, D. Hall; topography -- mountain foothills, secondary ridge, smooth straight topography, sideslope, midslope, convex microrelief; slope -- 18 percent; aspect -- southeast 165 degrees; elevation -- 3450 feet; parent material -- Mazama volcanic ash over Palouse loess over siltites of the Libby Formation; climate -- subhumid, with cool dry summers and cool wet winters, estimated mean annual precipitation of 35-40 inches with 2 to 6 feet of snow accumulation, estimated mean annual air temperature of 44°F; drainage -- moderately well drained; runoff -- slight; permeability -- very slow; ground water -- perched water table in spring of year; vegetation or use -- timber and grazing, Thuja plicata/Pachistima myrsinites habitat type with Larix occidentalis, Abies grandis, Pinus monticola, Taxus brevifolia, Linnaea borealis, Coptis occidentalis, Smilacena stellata, Viola glabella, Chimaphila umbellata.

Remarks: This site is stand #11 of the Douglas Fir Tussock Moth Study from the Coll. of FWR, University of Idaho.

Pedon Description

01 6.3-3.8 centimeters (2.5-1.5 inches). Partially decomposed leaves, needles, and twigs.

01 3.8-0 centimeters (1.5-0 inches). Well decomposed organic matter.

B21ir 0-15 centimeters (0-6 inches). Yellowish brown (10YR 5/4) silt loam, dark brown (10YR 3/3) moist; moderate fine granular structure; weakly coherent, very friable, nonsticky and slightly plastic; many very fine, few fine and medium pores; abundant very fine and fine roots; clear smooth boundary.

B22ir 15-30 centimeters (6-12 inches). Light yellowish brown (10YR 6/4) silt, yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) moist; weak medium granular structure; weakly coherent, very friable, nonsticky and slightly plastic; many very fine, few fine and medium pores; abundant very fine, plentiful fine and medium roots; clear smooth boundary.

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B231r 30-40 centimeters (12-16 inches). Light yellowish brown (10YR 6/4) silt loam, dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) moist; weak medium granular structure; weakly coherent, very friable, nonsticky and slightly plastic; roots and pores as above; clear smooth boundary.

IIB24 40-60 centimeters (16-24 inches). Pale brown (10YR 6/3.4) silt loam, brown (10YR 4.8/3) moist; weak medium to coarse subangular blocky structure; hard, firm, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few thin clay films lining pores; many very fine, common fine, and few medium pores; plentiful very fine and fine, few medium roots; clear smooth boundary.

IIA2 60-73 centimeters (24-29 inches). Very pale brown (10YR 7/3.5) silt loam, dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) moist; massive structure; hard, firm, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; roots and pores as above; very few fine and medium gravels; clear smooth boundary.

IIIA&Btb 73-93 centimeters (29-37 inches). Very pale brown (10YR 7/4) silt loam matrix, yellowish brown (10YR 5/4) moist, with yellowish red (5YR 5/8) silt loam included peds, strong brown (7.5YR 5/6) moist; moderate medium to coarse subangular blocky structure; hard, firm, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common, thin clay films lining pores; many very fine and fine, few medium pores; abundant very fine, plentiful fine, and few medium roots; clear wavy boundary.

IIIBtb&A 93-120 centimeters (37-48 inches). Reddish yellow (7.5YR 6/6) silt loam peds, strong brown (7.5YR 5/6) moist, surrounded by tongues and interfingers of very pale brown (10YR 7/3) silt loam, yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) moist; weak medium to coarse prismatic parting to moderate medium to coarse angular blocky structure; very hard, very firm, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many moderately thick, yellowish red (5YR 5/8) clay films; many very fine and common fine pores; very fine to medium roots confined to prism faces and A2 material; A2 material developed along prism faces dispersing into blocky faces; few very fine to medium strongly weathered, soft siltite gravels throughout horizon; gradual wavy boundary.

IIIBxtb 120-155+ centimeters (48-62+ inches). Strong brown (7.5YR 5/6) silt loam peds, yellowish red (5YR 4/8) moist, with tongues and interfingers of very pale brown (10YR 7/3) silt loam, pale brown (10YR 6/3) moist; moderate coarse prismatic parting to moderate, coarse angular blocky structure; very hard (brittle), very firm, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many thin clay films lining pores, common moderately thick clay films on prism

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faces; roots and pores as above; tongues are 1 to 1½ inches diameter vertical to slightly oblique, few, strongly weathered, soft siltite gravels throughout.

Remarks: The A2 horizon formed after deposition of surface parent material by lateral moving water; therefore, it is not a part of the buried soil and b is not used.

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Sample No.	Horizon	Depth	pH paste	ECX10 ³	PW at Saturation	Available P	Sesquioxides			
							Di-Citrate Fe	Extract Al	Pyrophosphate Fe	Extract Al
		cm		mmhos/cm	%	ppm				
1	O1	6.3-3.8	-	-	-	-				
2	O2	3.8-0	-	-	-	-				
3	B21ir	0-15	6.0	0.1	72	0.9				
4	B22ir	15-30	6.4	<0.1	75	0.7				
5	B23ir	30-40	6.4	<0.1	75	1.0				
6	IIB24	40-60	6.4	0.1	52	0.3				
7	IIA2	60-73	5.6	0.1	30	0.2				
8	IIIA&Btb	73-93	5.2	<0.1	34	0.0				
9	IIIBtb&A	93-120	6.0	0.1	33	0.4				
10	IIIBxtb	120-155+	5.2	0.1	32	0.3				

Sample No.	Exchangeable Ions				Ext. Acidity	CEC	Base Saturation	OM	C	N	C:N	Soil Fraction	NaF pH
	Ca	Mg	Na	K	H								
	meq/100 gms						%		%		ratio		
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	6.7	0.8	0.0	0.7	16.7	19.6	33	2.8	1.6	0.12	13	1.00	10.7
4	4.7	0.7	0.1	0.6	16.7	18.6	27	2.0	1.2	0.08	15	1.00	10.8
5	3.2	0.7	0.0	0.5	14.4	13.8	23	1.3	0.8	0.06	13	1.00	10.7
6	2.7	0.8	0.1	0.4	8.3	9.6	33	0.7	0.4	0.04	10	1.00	10.4
7	2.2	1.3	0.0	0.2	6.2	7.5	37	0.4	0.2	0.03	7	1.00	9.2
8	1.8	2.8	0.1	0.2	9.4	12.1	34	0.4	0.2	0.02	10	1.00	9.3
9	0.9	1.2	0.1	0.1	12.0	10.0	16	0.4	0.2	0.03	7	1.00	8.9
10	1.7	1.7	0.2	0.1	12.1	12.3	23	0.3	0.2	0.03	7	1.00	8.9

Remarks: CECs leached with 10% acidified NaCl.
 Nitrogens and CECs ran on the Technicon.

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Depth	Particle Size Distribution (mm)								Gravel & Stone		
	VCS	CS	MS	FS	VFS	TS	TSi	TC	> 2 mm	Textural	
	2-1.0	1-0.5	0.5-0.25	0.25-0.1	0.1-0.05	2-0.05	0.05-0.002	< 0.002	wt.	vol.	Classes
cm	% —————								% —————		
6.3-3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.8-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0-15	1.02	1.05	0.56	1.94	8.64	13.22	79.09	7.70	none	none	Silt loam
15-30	0.08	0.26	0.24	1.51	9.80	11.88	81.46	6.66	none	none	Silt
30-40	0.12	0.35	0.35	2.15	14.17	17.14	77.29	5.57	none	none	Silt loam
40-60	0.27	0.70	0.73	3.12	10.12	14.94	76.36	8.70	none	none	Silt loam
60-73	0.68	0.70	0.68	2.88	10.09	15.03	71.29	13.69	none	none	Silt loam
73-93	0.59	0.80	0.60	2.22	9.40	13.60	70.30	16.09	none	none	Silt loam
93-120	0.64	0.86	0.76	2.70	11.72	16.67	66.92	16.41	none	none	Silt loam
120-155+	1.13	0.99	0.78	2.89	9.35	15.14	62.85	22.02	none	none	Silt loam

Depth	Silt Size Distribution (mm)				Water Content			Liquid	Plastic	Plastic
	CoSi	MSi	FSi	Bulk	1/3	15	Limit	Limit	Index	
	0.05-0.02	0.02-0.005	0.005-0.002	Density	Bar	Bar				
cm	% —————				g/cc	% —————		% —————		
6.3-3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.8-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0-15				No clods	46.7	20.4	NDNP	NDNP	NDNP	
15-30				0.8	58.6	21.2	NDNP	NDNP	NDNP	
30-40				No clods	48.3	16.3	NDNP	NDNP	NDNP	
40-60				1.6	42.3	7.3	NDNP	NDNP	NDNP	
60-73				1.6	25.8	4.9	NDNP	NDNP	NDNP	
73-93				1.7	28.2	7.9	24	20	4	
93-120				1.7	26.5	7.1	25	21	4	
120-155+				1.8	27.4	8.6	26	19	7	

Remarks: Centrifuge method, 5% sodium hexametaphosphate added, sonified.

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